

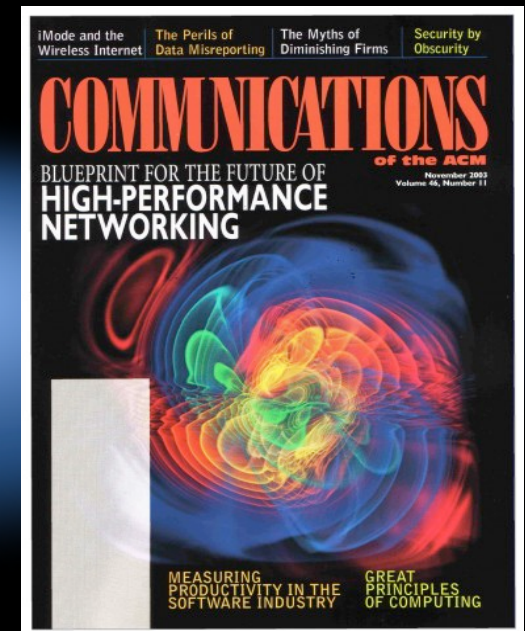
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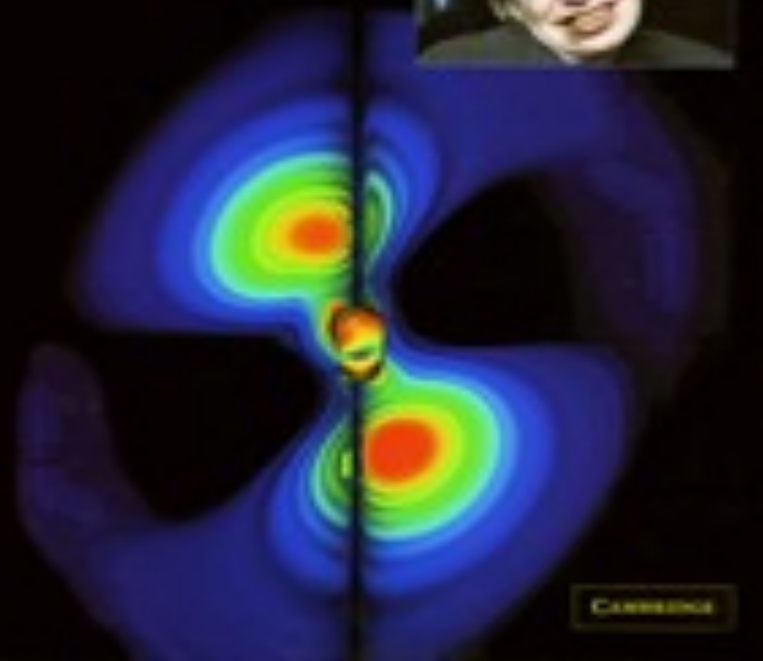
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## *Two Black Holes*

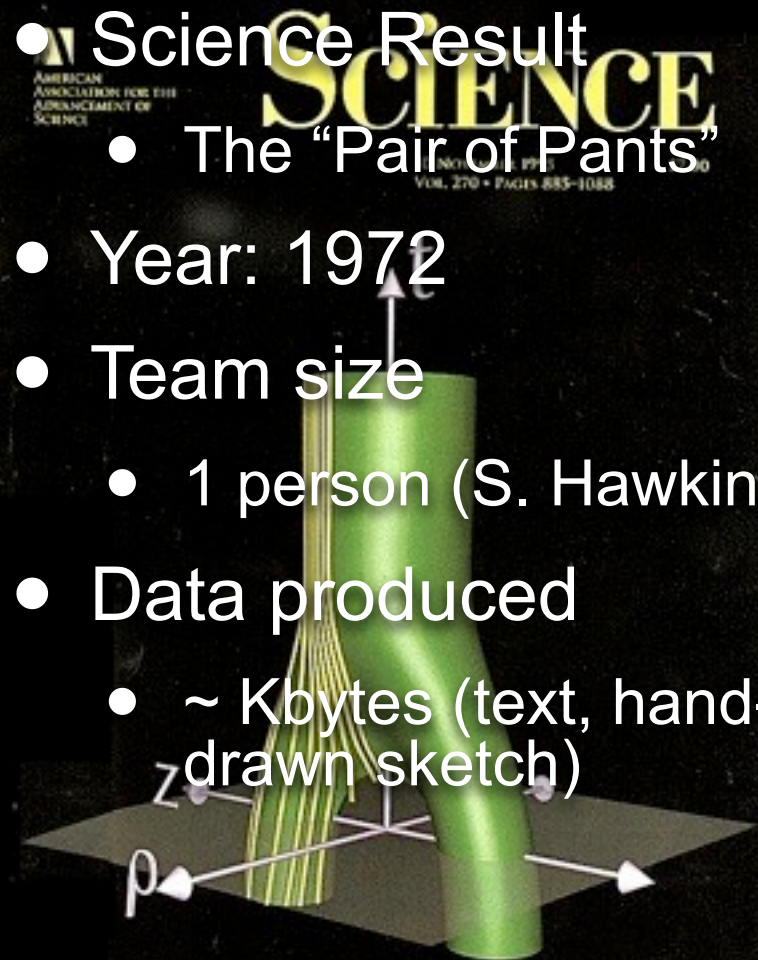
The Future of Theoretical  
Physics and Cosmology

Celebrating Stephen Hawking's 60th Birthday

Edited by G. W. Gibbons,  
S. P. S. Shellard and  
S. J. Rankin



- Science Result
  - The “Pair of Pants”
- Year: 1972
- Team size
  - 1 person (S. Hawking)
- Data produced
  - ~ Kbytes (text, hand-drawn sketch)



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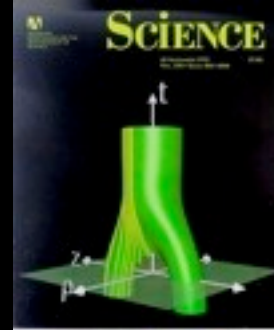
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# Data-Driven Multiscale Collaborations\* for Complexity

## *Great Challenges of 21st Century*

- Multiscale Collaborations

- General Relativity, Particles, Geosciences, Bio, Social...
- And all combinations...



- Science and Society being transformed by CI and Data

- Completely new methodologies
- “The End of Science” (as we know it)

- CI plays central role

- No community can attack challenges
- Technical, CS, social issues to solve

- *Places requirements on computing, software, networks, tools, etc*

The End of Science

The quest for knowledge used to begin with grand theories. Now it begins with massive amounts of data. Welcome to the Petabyte Age.



\*Small groups still important!



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# Crises to Deal With



# Technology Crisis

(Adapted from Simon/Shalf)

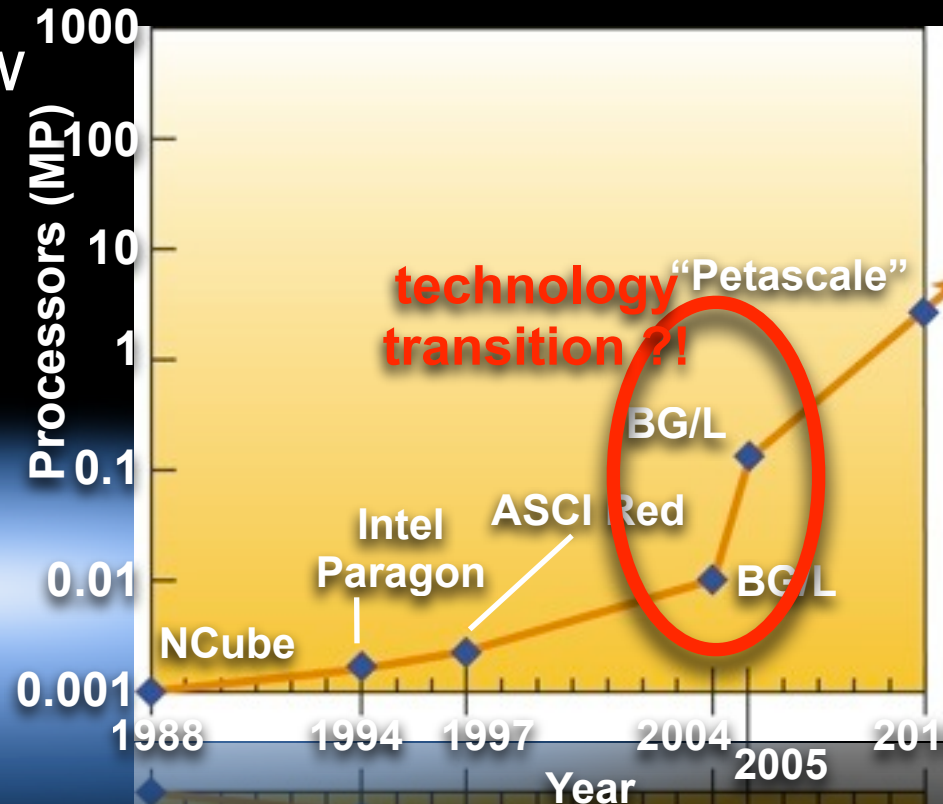
- “The processor is the new transistor” (Patterson)

- BG/L at LLNL: as many procs as transistors in the MC68000
- $N_{procs}$  has made a transition
- Programming parallel codes like assembly language moving bits between transistors

- Multicore is coming on fast

- $N_{cores}$  doubles every 18 months, clock rate more or less fixed
- Programming: MPI within a chip???, No: MPI + ???

- Many CS, CI Challenges



Question: “How fault tolerant is your code?”



# Data Crisis: Information Big Bang

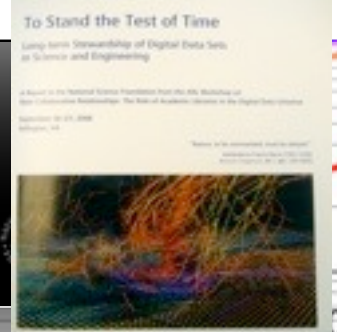
Wired, Nature



PCAST Digital Data

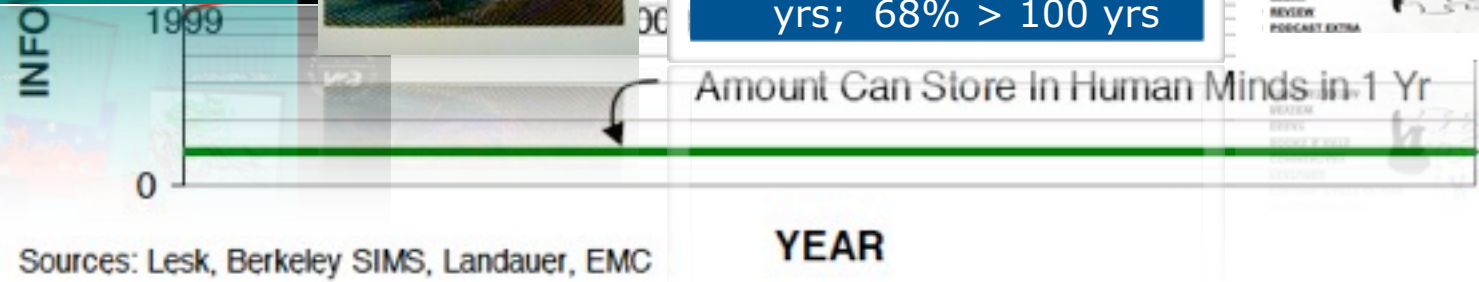
Industry

NSB Report: Long-Lived Digital Data Collections Enabling Research and Education in the 21st Century



**Storage Networking Industry Association (SNIA) 100 Year Archive Requirements Survey Report**

"there is a pending crisis in archiving... we have to create long-term methods for preserving information, for making it available for analysis in the future." 80% respondents: >50 yrs; 68% > 100 yrs





# Software Crisis

- Computers are exceedingly complex
  - Desktops with hundreds of cores
  - Supercomputers with millions of cores
  - They last 3-4 years...
- Software systems and applications
  - Science apps have  $10^3$  to  $10^{6+}$  lines, have bugs
  - Applications may take decades to develop
  - We spend at least 10x as much on hardware
  - *GC communities place requirements on software for complex CI (not just HPC!)*
- We have a *crisis* in software
  - We don't know how to write it!
  - Is our science reproducible? If not...not science!



Toolkit for  
complex CI?

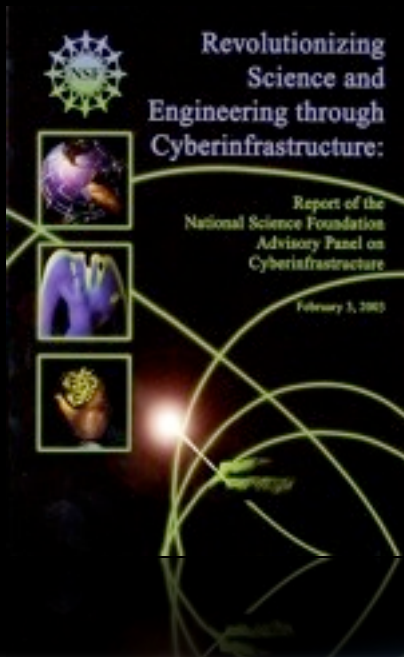


DR. KEITH JONES, PH.D., C.O.A.  
FOR LEGACY AND PC SYSTEMS



# NSF Vision

“National-level, integrated system of hardware, software, data resources & services... to enable new paradigms of science”

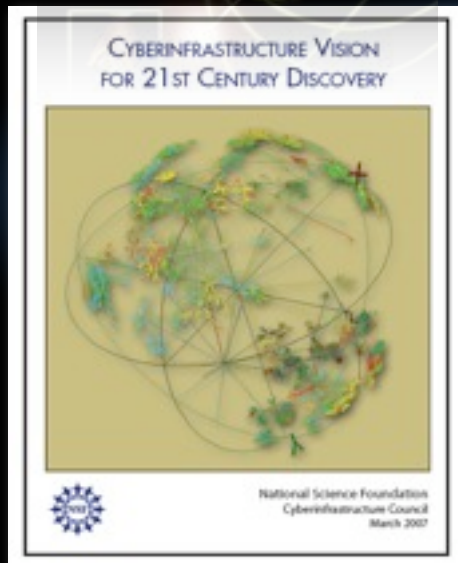


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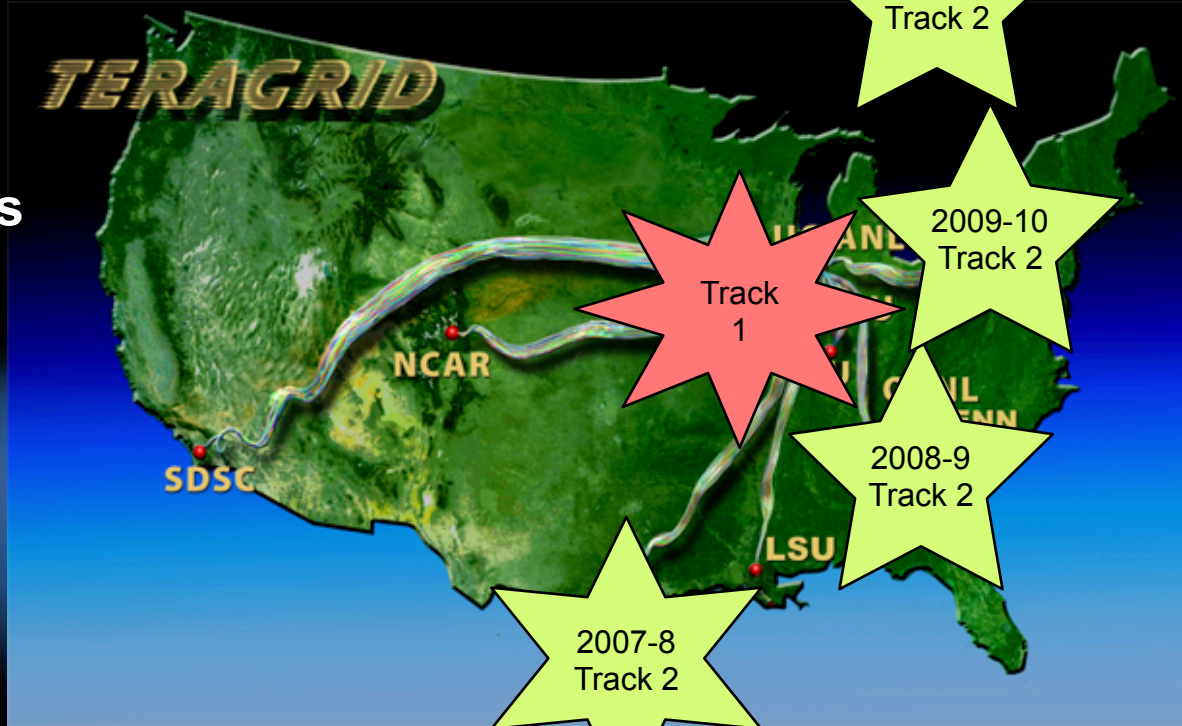
# Shared Resource Environments

Computers

Data services

Visualization services

People



Modeling and simulation

Data analysis & visualization

User support

Training

Common user environments

Tools for educators

Science Gateways

Courtesy of University of Indiana

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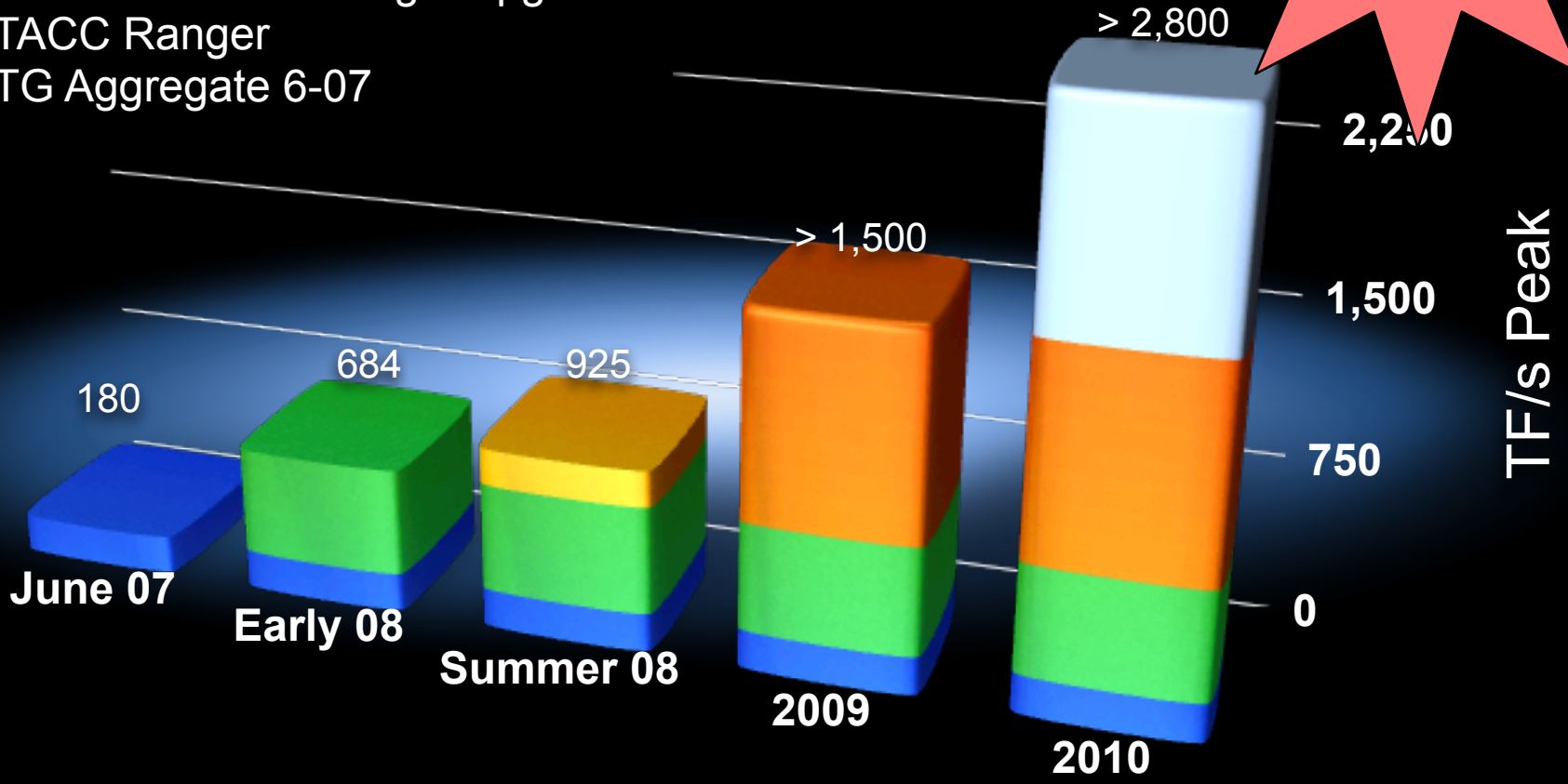
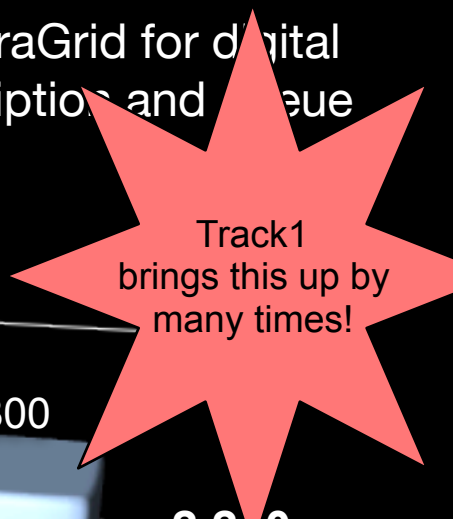


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# Impact

Greatly expanding capacity of the TeraGrid for digital exploration with reduced oversubscription and queue wait times.

- PSC-Phase 2 & UTK Phase 3
- UTK Phase 2
- UTK Phase 1 & Ranger upgrade
- TACC Ranger
- TG Aggregate 6-07



## Blue Waters Project

# Blue Waters Petascale System (2011!)

- **Blue Waters General Characteristics**

- Based on IBM PERCS
- 1 petaflops *sustained* performance on real apps

- **Blue Waters System Characteristics**

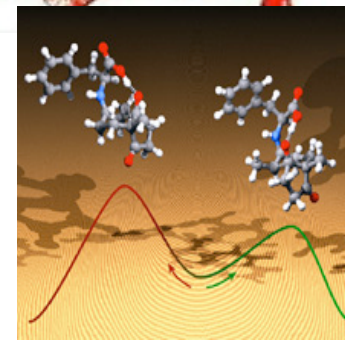
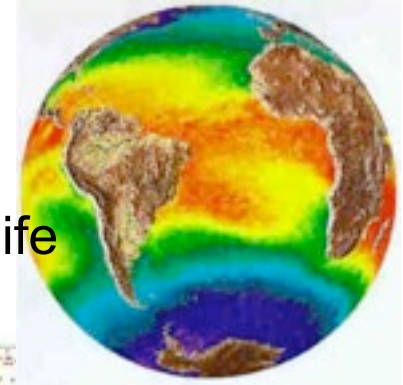
- > 200,000 cores; multicore POWER7 processors
- > 32 gigabytes of main memory per SMP
- > 10 petabytes of user disk storage
- > 100 Gbps external connectivity (initial)
- Fortran, Co-Array Fortran, C/C++, UPC, MPI/MPI2, OpenMP, Cactus, Charm++

- **Blue Waters Interim Systems at NCSA**

- POWER 5+/6 software and application development testbeds

- **Blue Waters System Training and Support**

Earth & Life  
Sciences



Astronomy and  
Molecular Science





# Open Science Grid as Model “Campus Bridge”

- NSF very interested in creating “bridges” from campus to national CI
- OSG is a *national CI, locally* deployed...good model
- We are very interested in...
  - Exploring ways to integrate campuses better with national centers, instruments
  - TeraGrid-OSG cooperation
    - Driven by applications!
  - Understanding example science communities that can benefit from, drive this: GC Communities will require
  - Related international cooperation: EGEE/EGI, etc



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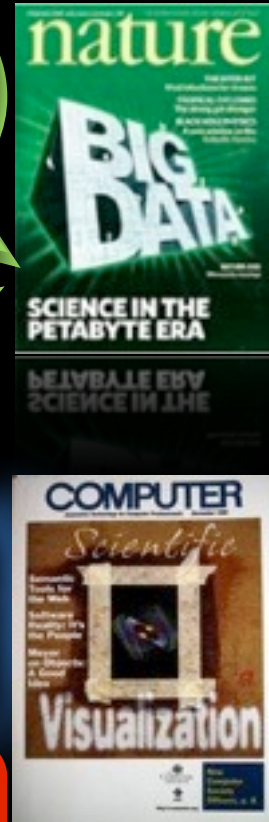
# Data, Data Analysis, and Visualization

- “Any cogent plan must address the phenomenal growth of data”
- Goals are to
  - Catalyze the development of a national digital data framework and engineering data collection systems that are scalable, extensible, and evolvable
  - Support development of a new generation of tools and services for data discovery, integration, visualization, analysis and preservation
  - The resulting national digital data framework will be an integral component in national OIT

Where are the data in this paper?  
I can't repeat their results!

I can't repeat my results!

I can't visualize my results!



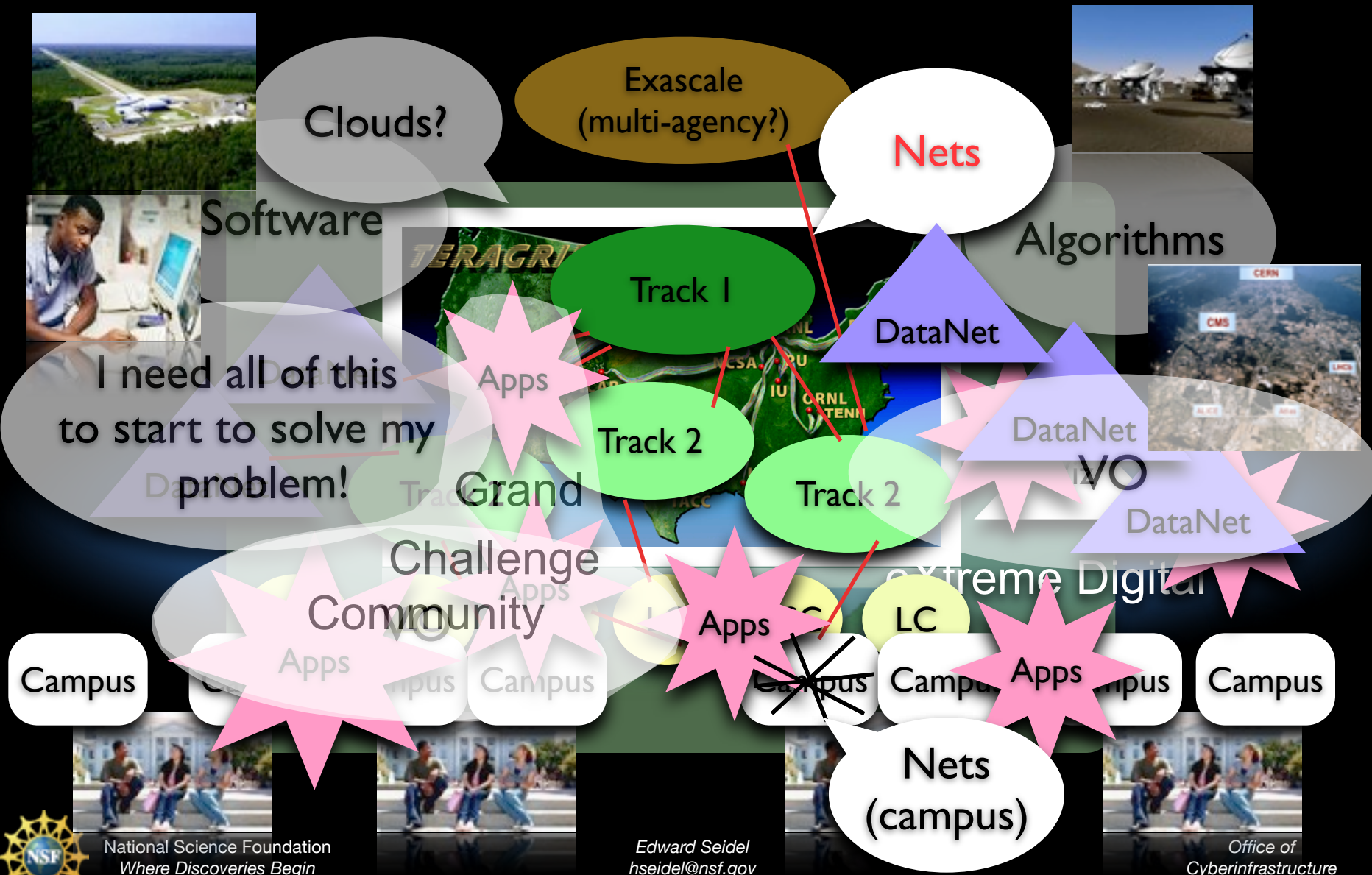
DataNet: \$100M 5 year program



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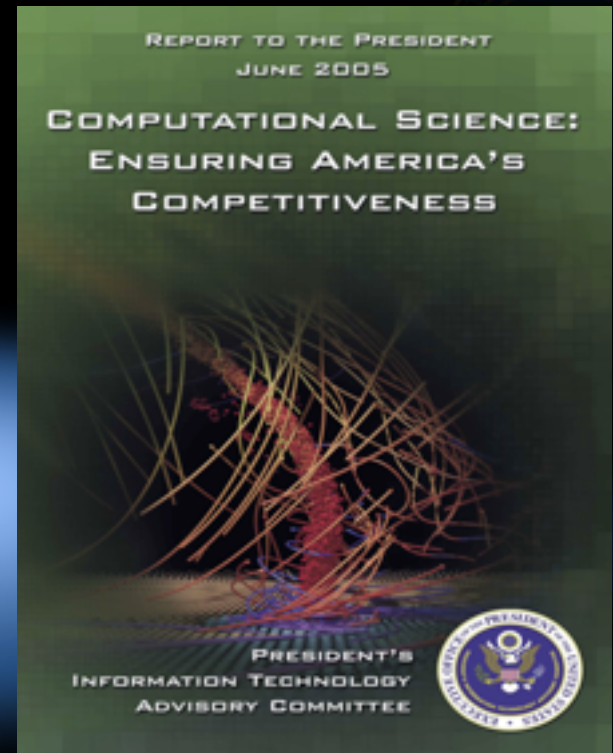
# National CI Blueprint



# Computational Science PITAC Report Summary



“Universities must, significantly, change reserves to organizational structures: science is in adequate and outdated structures within the collaborative research are needed for US to remain competitive in global effectively support this critical multidisciplinary field”





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